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SONIC
THE HEDGEHOG

WHEN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG INVOKED *CHAOS CONTROL* DURING A BATTLE AGAINST THE EGREGIOUS DR. EGGMAN, IT CREATED A *RIP IN THE FABRIC OF TIME AND SPACE* THAT TRANSPORTED SONIC, EGGMAN, AND MANY OTHERS FROM THEIR WORLD TO STATION SQUARE ON EARTH!

NOW CREAM'S MOTHER *VANILLA THE RABBIT* HAS ARRIVED ON EARTH, AND SHE'S WORRIED THAT IT'S TOO DANGEROUS FOR *CREAM* TO LIVE IN STATION SQUARE WITH THE HUMAN BOY *CHRIS THORNDYKE*.



JOIN US!

AAAAAAA!

PRETTY SCARY, HUH? WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON? SO DO CHRIS, CREAM, AND CHEESE THE CHAO! ALL THEY KNOW IS THAT WHILE VACATIONING ON THE THORNDYKE'S PRIVATE ISLAND, CHRIS'S MOM, GLAMOROUS MOVIE STAR *LINDSEY THORNDYKE*, AND CREAM'S MOM, VANILLA, HAVE BEEN POSSESSED BY GHOSTS!

THEY DON'T KNOW HOW OR WHY—ALL THEY KNOW IS THAT THEY HAVE TO GET AWAY!

HARE-UM SCARE-UM!

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ARE RIGHT
BEHIND US.

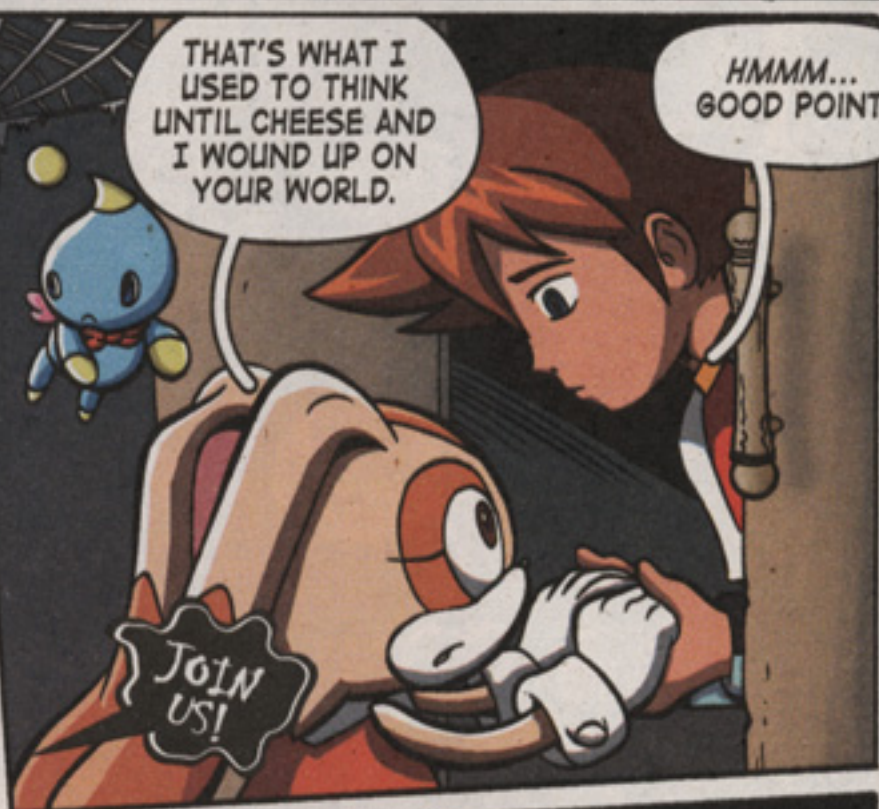
WE CAN HIDE
IN THAT OLD
WARDROBE!



CREEEEAAAAAK

IF WE'RE LUCKY,
IT WILL LEAD TO
ANOTHER WORLD.

THAT ONLY
HAPPENS IN BOOKS
AND MOVIES.



THAT'S WHAT I
USED TO THINK
UNTIL CHEESE AND
I WOUND UP ON
YOUR WORLD.

HMMM...
GOOD POINT.

**JOIN
US!**



**JOIN
US!**

EEP!



**JOIN
US!**

SHHHHHHH!



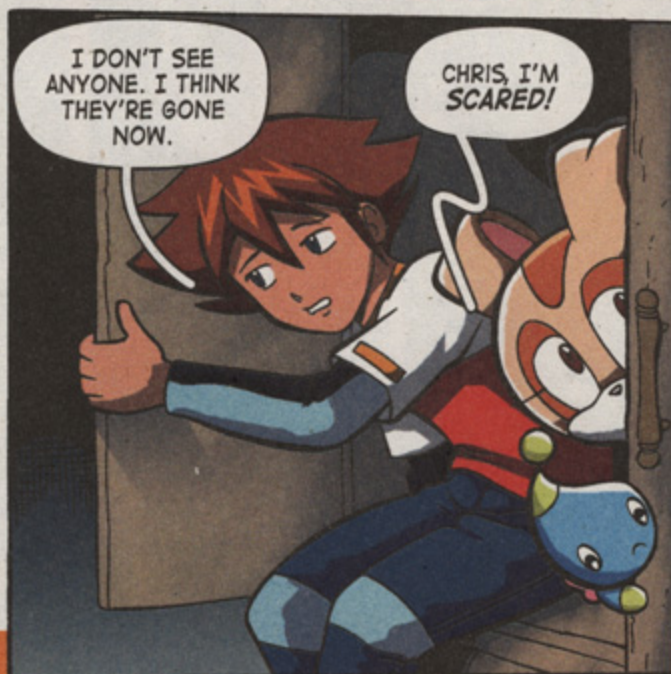


CHRIS, NO MATTER WHAT MY MOTHER DECIDES, I WANT YOU TO KNOW I NEVER WANT TO LEAVE YOU OR YOUR HOUSE.

I DON'T WANT YOU TO LEAVE EITHER, CREAM. YOU ARE A VERY GOOD FRIEND.



I DON'T HEAR ANYTHING ANY MORE! MAYBE IT'S SAFE TO LEAVE.



I DON'T SEE ANYONE. I THINK THEY'RE GONE NOW.

CHRIS, I'M SCARED!



SO AM I, CREAM.

I'M GOING TO CALL GRANDPA CHUCK. MAYBE HE CAN FIND SONIC.

SONIC WILL KNOW WHAT TO DO!

TEN DIGITS LATER—AT THE THORNDYKE MANSION IN STATION SQUARE...

I'M SORRY, CHRIS. IT WAS ON THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

SONIC AND TAILS WERE ARRESTED FOR ATTACKING STATION SQUARE YESTERDAY.*



*The attack happened in issue #12, but if you believe Sonic and Tails attacked the city, then you didn't read that issue!

MEANWHILE, AT THE MAXIMUM SECURITY PRISON OPERATED BY THE GUARDIAN UNITS OF THE NATIONS...

I DON'T GET IT, EGGMAN—WHY HAVEN'T YOU TRIED TO *ESCAPE*?

I'M PAYING MY DEBT TO SOCIETY, SONIC.

BY FIXING REFRIGERATORS AND TELEVISIONS?* YOU'LL BE IN HERE *FOREVER*!

*Dr. Eggman is repairing appliances as part of an evil scheme to take over the world (as we saw on the TV show), but he's not about to admit that to Sonic, is he?

IT'S QUITE THERAPEUTIC. YOU SHOULD TRY IT.

YEAH! THEY HAVE SOME GREAT POWER TOOLS, SONIC!

POWER TOOLS ARE YOUR THING, TAILS.

ALTHOUGH I MAY WANT...

...TO USE THEM IF THEY DON'T...

...OF HERE SOON!

...LET US OUT...

I'M GOING STIR CRAZY!





CHAO
CHAO!

CHEESE
SAYS HE
DONES'T
SEE
ANYONE!



GOOD. WHEN WE GET TO
THE BOTTOM OF THE
STAIRS, GO RIGHT. MOM'S
TROPHY ROOM IS ACROSS
FROM THE LIVING ROOM.



SO FAR, SO GOOD.
IF THE HOURGLASS IS
HERE, CHANCES ARE
MOM PUT IT IN THE
TROPHY ROOM.



HEE
HEE
HEE

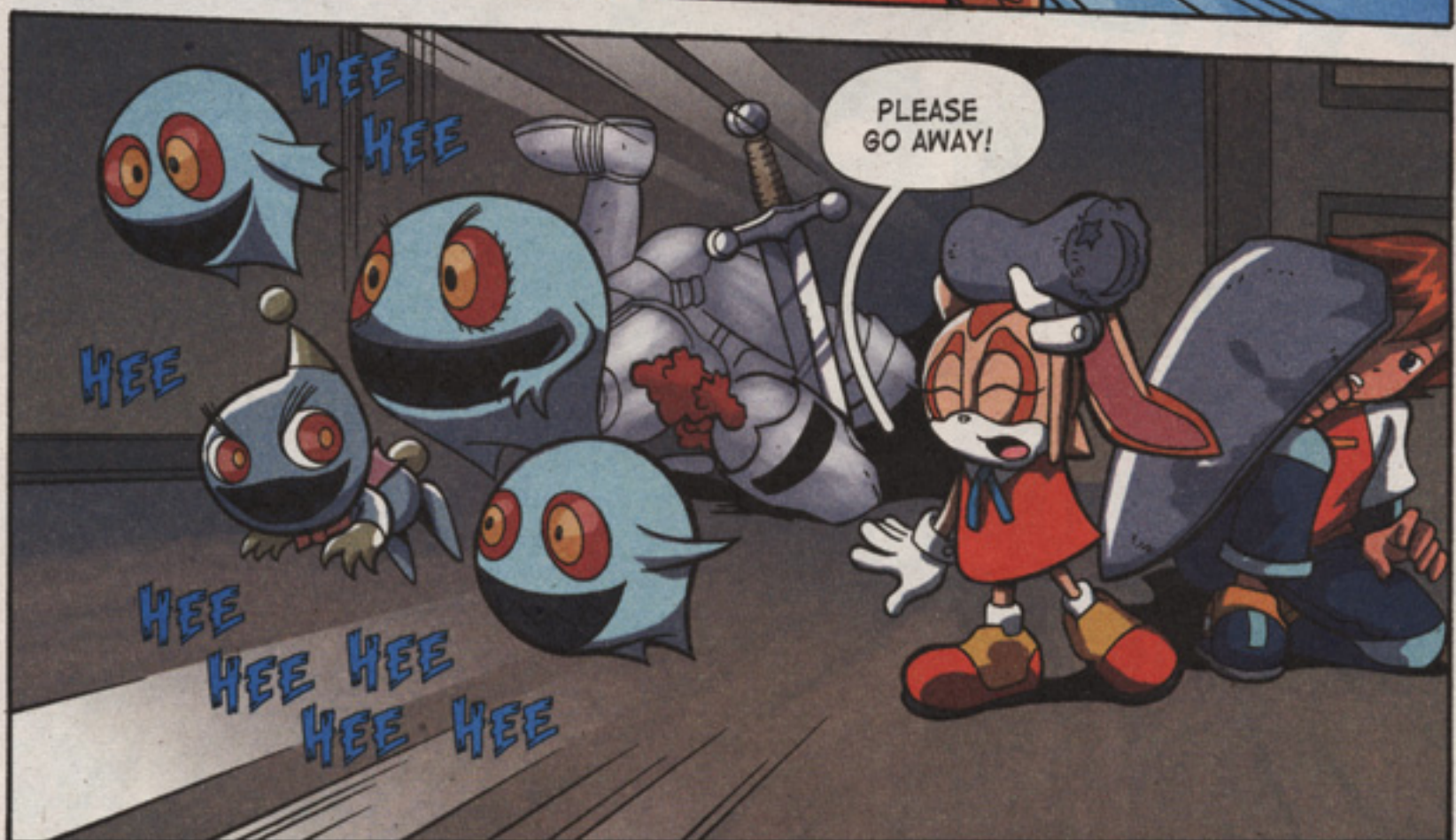
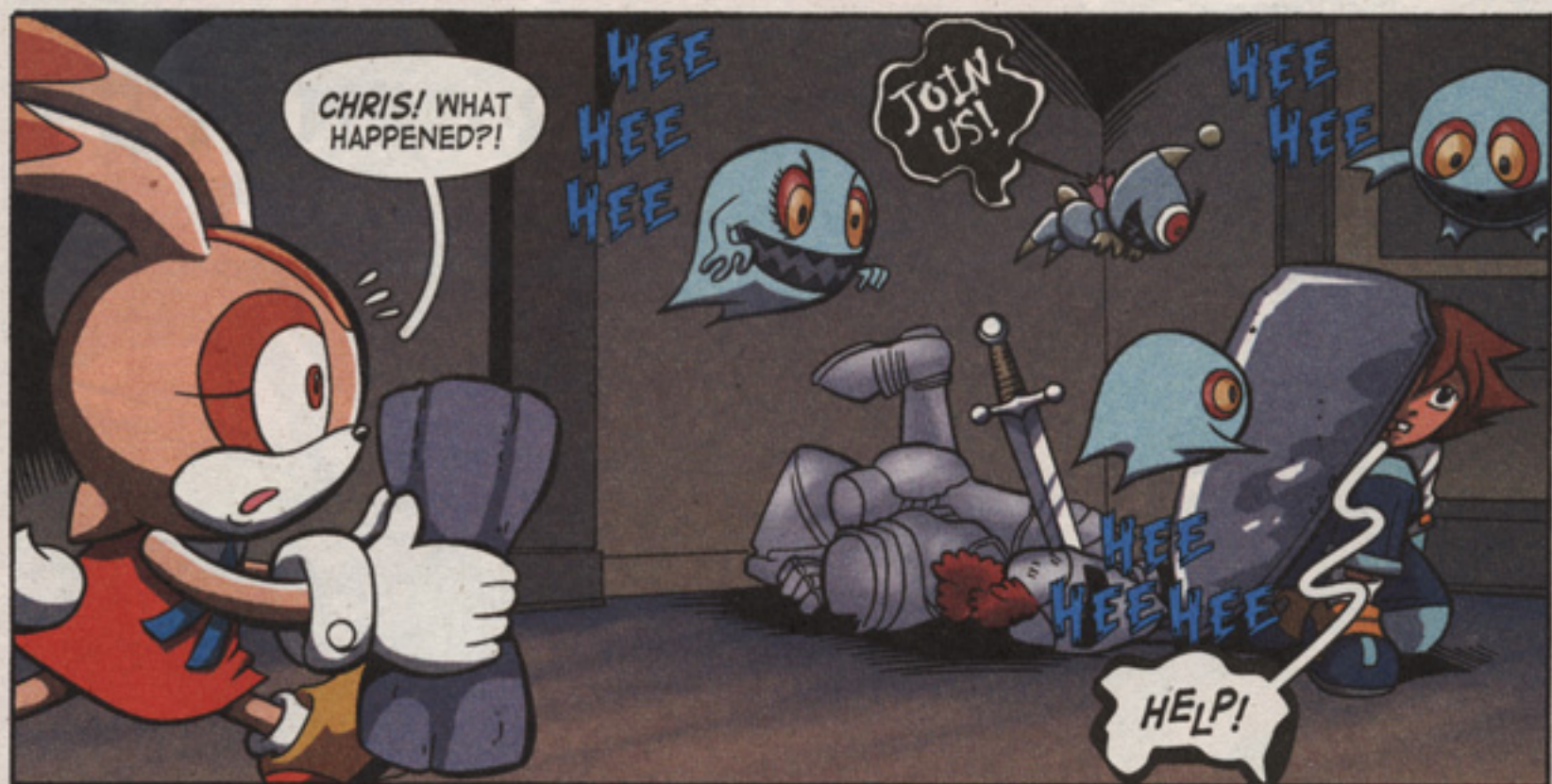
A
GHOST!



HEE HEE
HEE

OH NO! IT
POSSESSED
CHEESE!









THEY'RE LEAVING!

HEE
HEE

HEE

come to
me!



IT'S THE VOICE
WE HEARD IN THE
ATTIC! THE ONE
THAT CALLED OUR
MOTHERS AWAY!

I WONDER
WHO
—OR WHAT—
IT IS...



LET'S FOLLOW
THEM, CHRIS! WE
HAVE TO SAVE
OUR MOTHERS
AND CHEESE!



I THOUGHT
YOU WERE
SCARED.

I AM, BUT WE'LL
NEVER STOP THE
GHOSTS HIDING IN
THE BUSHES!



AND THE HOURGLASS
WILL PROTECT US
FROM THE GHOSTS!

YOU'RE RIGHT!
SONIC'S NOT
HERE TO SAVE
US THIS TIME!
WE'RE THE
ONLY ONES
WHO CAN STOP
THE GHOSTS!



OH, MAN! I DIDN'T
KNOW THERE WERE
THAT MANY!

WE CAN DO
THIS, CHRIS.
WE HAVE TO!

come, my
minions.

there is much
work to be
done!

HEE HEE
HEE HEE
HEE HEE

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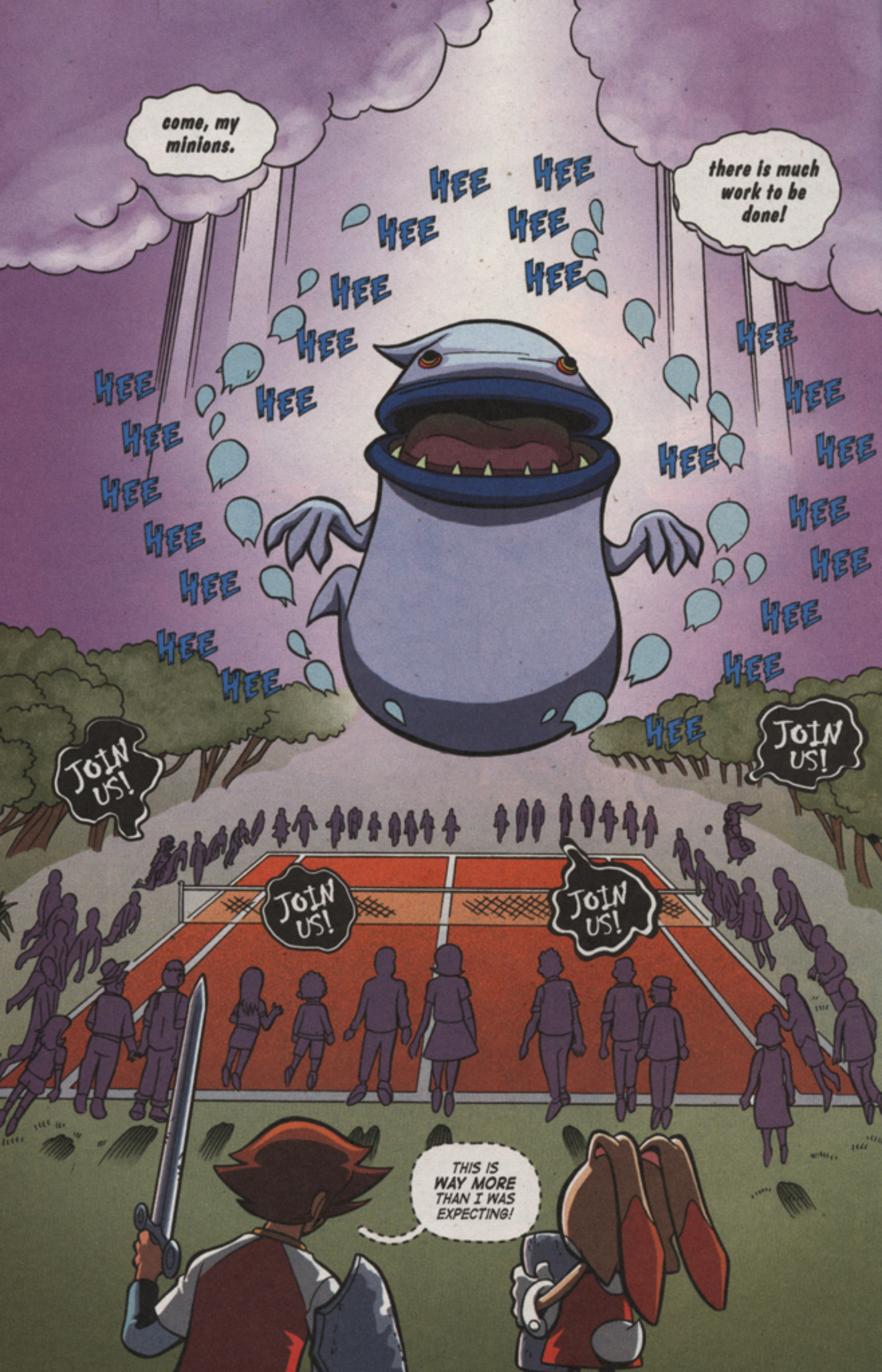
JOIN
US!

JOIN
US!

JOIN
US!

JOIN
US!

THIS IS
WAY MORE
THAN I WAS
EXPECTING!



UNFORTUNATELY FOR SONIC (AT LEAST AS FAR AS *HE'S* CONCERNED), THERE'S NOTHING NEARLY SO EXCITING TO LOOK AT IN HIS PRISON CELL.

WHATCHA DOING NOW, EGGMAN?

I'M READING, SONIC, SO WILL YOU PLEASE PIPE DOWN?

ISN'T THERE ANYTHING TO DO AROUND HERE?

WE'RE IN *PRISON*, SONIC. WE'RE *NOT* SUPPOSED TO BE HAVING FUN.

ACTUALLY, I'M FINDING IT QUITE RELAXING.

I SHOULD HAVE BEEN LOCKED UP YEARS AGO!

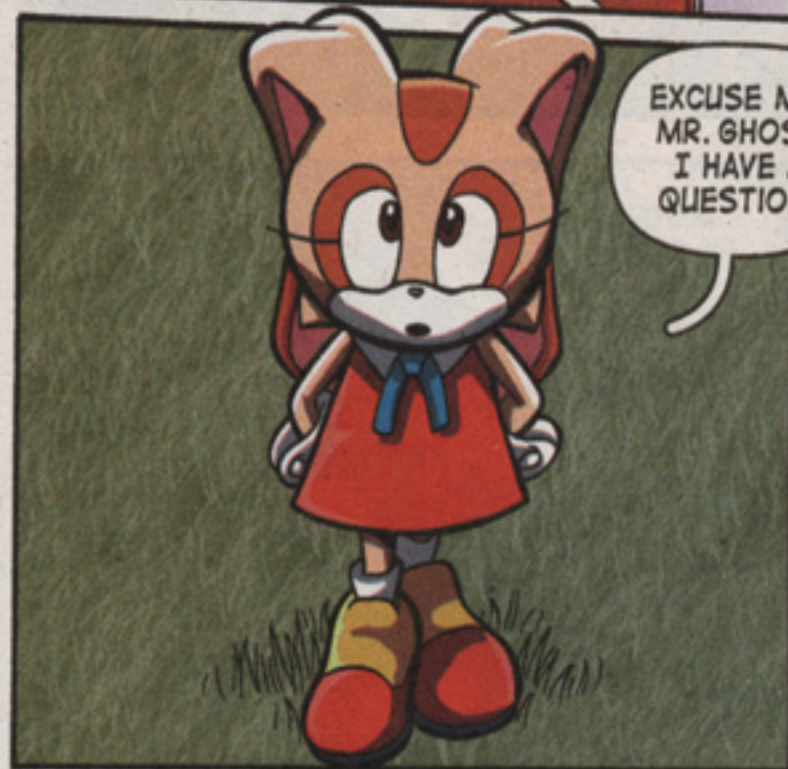
I DON'T THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THE BOSS SHOULD BE ADMITTING, DECOE.

QUIET, BOCOE! SOMEONE'S COMING!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG, TAILS THE FOX, YOU ARE TO COME WITH US.

FINALLY! NOW MAYBE THINGS WILL GET INTERESTING AGAIN!

ACTUALLY, THINGS AREN'T GOING TO BE THAT INTERESTING FOR SONIC FOR A WHILE, SO LET'S GO BACK TO CHRIS AND CREAM WHERE THINGS ARE WAY MORE FRANTIC!



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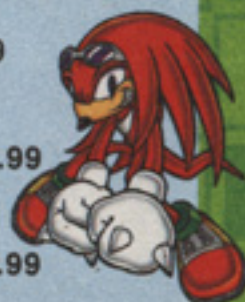
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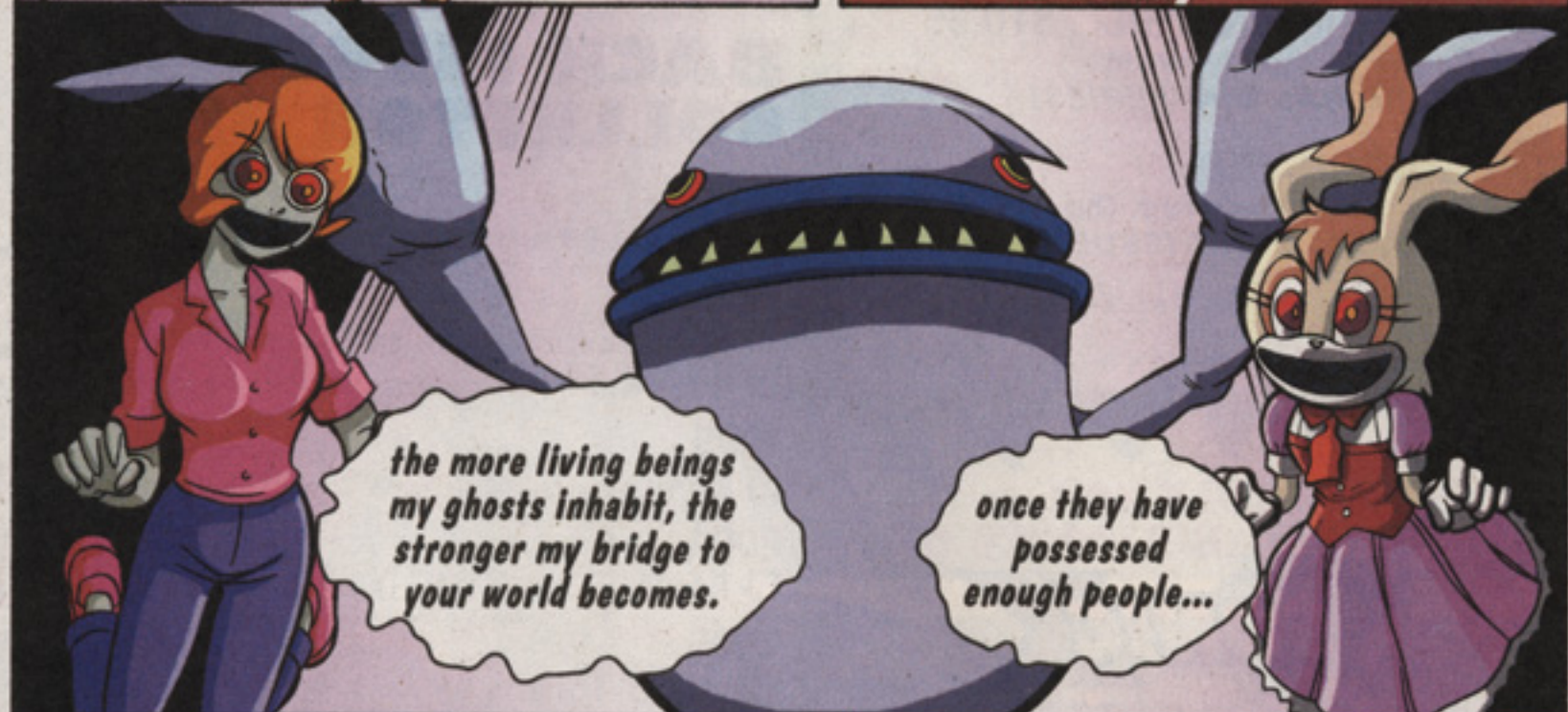
PARDON ME.
PLEASE LET US
THROUGH.

ALL I WANT
TO DO IS ASK
A QUESTION!



FORGIVE ME,
MR. GHOST, BUT
WHY ARE YOU
DOING THIS?

*my sleep
has been
disturbed.
I want to
walk
among the
living
again.*

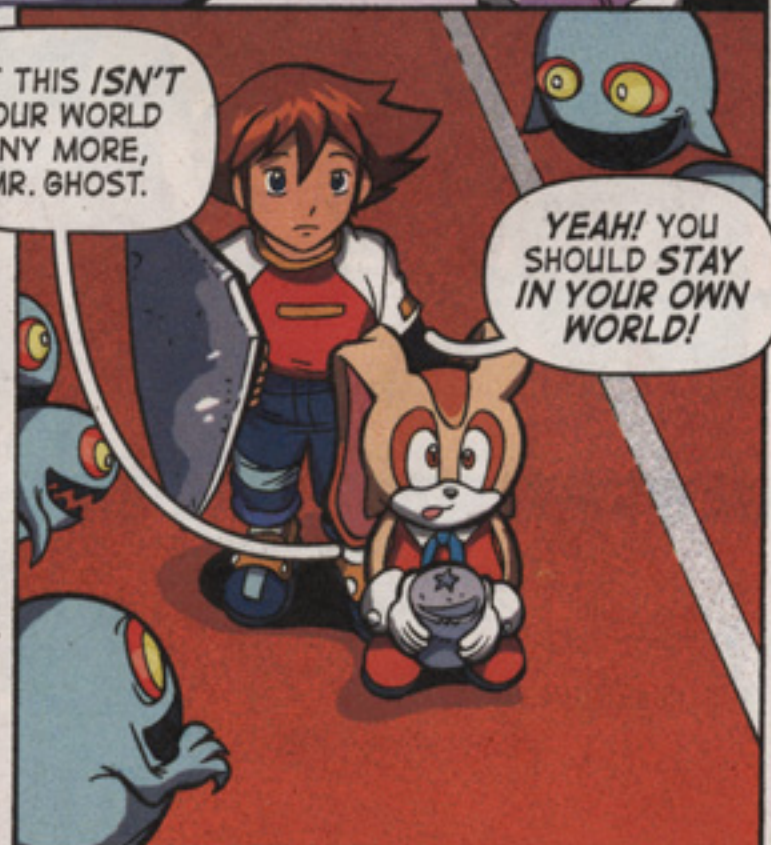


*the more living beings
my ghosts inhabit, the
stronger my bridge to
your world becomes.*

*once they have
possessed
enough people...*



*...I will be able to cross
over to the living world.*



BUT THIS *ISN'T*
YOUR WORLD
ANY MORE,
MR. GHOST.

*YEAH! YOU
SHOULD STAY
IN YOUR OWN
WORLD!*

I can no longer rest in our world. it has become too noisy.

whenever I try to sleep, there is a pound pound pound noise. it's enough to wake the dead!

JOIN US!

and it did!

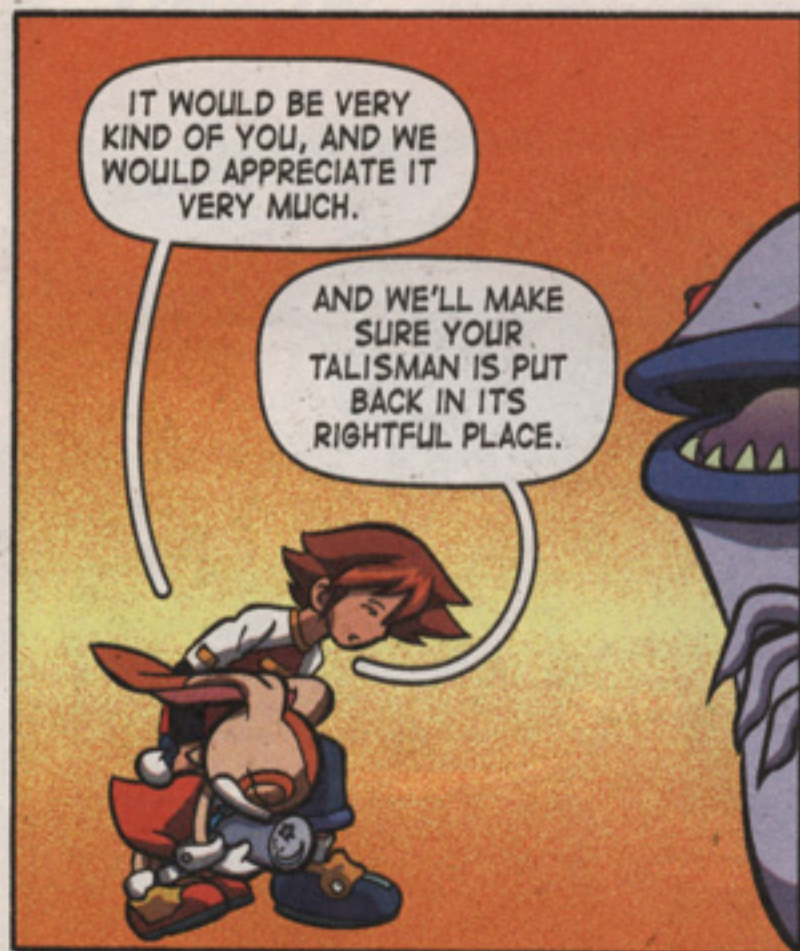
JOIN US!

THAT POUNDING NOISE MUST BE FROM TENNIS BALLS HITTING THE TENNIS COURT!

yes! this ground used to be a resting place for my kind.

when the talisman in your hands was brought to this island, I was summoned here—but now I can not sleep.

MR. GHOST, IF WE PROMISE TO MAKE THE NOISE STOP, WILL YOU LEAVE OUR WORLD AND LET OUR FRIENDS GO?



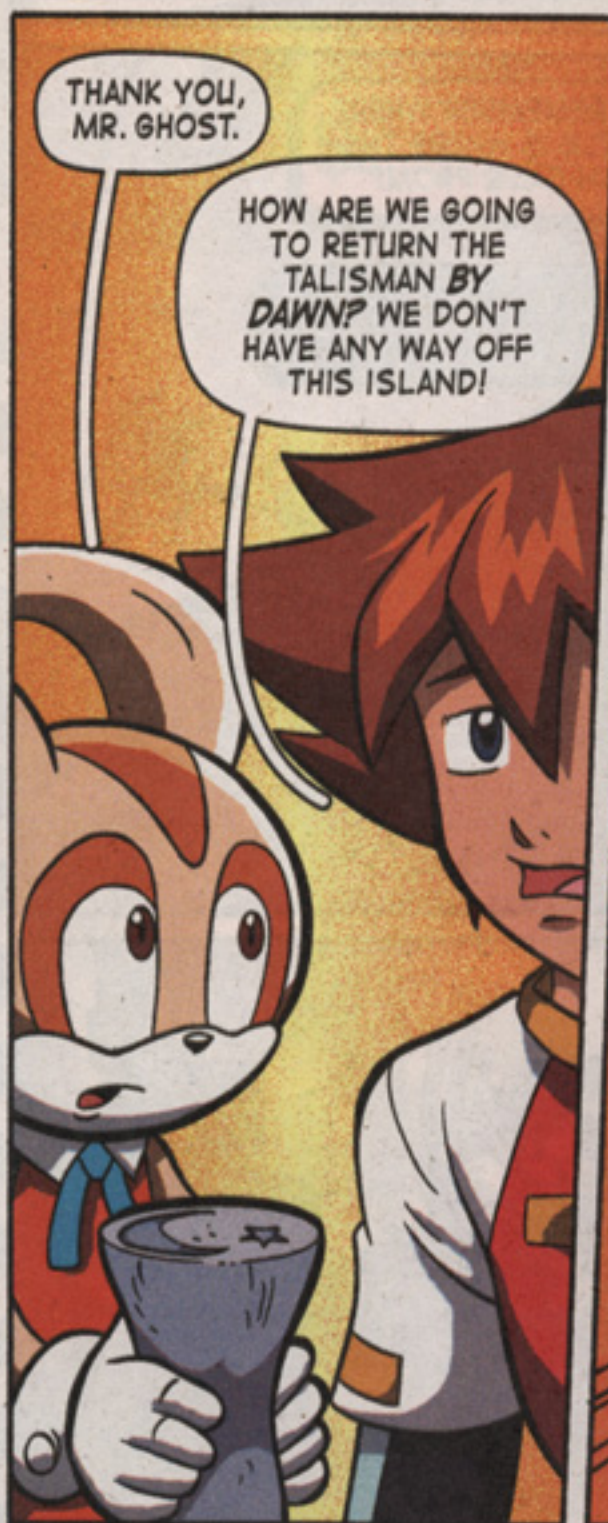
IT WOULD BE VERY KIND OF YOU, AND WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH.

AND WE'LL MAKE SURE YOUR TALISMAN IS PUT BACK IN ITS RIGHTFUL PLACE.



yes, little ones. that would be very considerate of you.

return the talisman by dawn, and I will release the humans and we ghosts will return to our resting place.



THANK YOU, MR. GHOST.

HOW ARE WE GOING TO RETURN THE TALISMAN **BY DAWN**? WE DON'T HAVE ANY WAY OFF THIS ISLAND!



I CAN HELP!

SONIC!

GRANDPA CHUCK SAID YOU WERE IN PRISON.



URRFFF! LEGGO!

I'M SO HAPPY TO SEE YOU! HOW DID YOU GET HERE?



AFTER YOU CALLED YOUR GRANDPA, HE CALLED YOUR FATHER.

YOUR FATHER CONVINCED THE PRESIDENT TO DROP THE CHARGES AND RELEASE TAILS AND ME.



"THEN HE FLEW US HERE IN THE THORNDYKE INDUSTRIES HELICOPTER SO WE COULD HELP SAVE YOUR MOM."

"HE'S WAITING DOWN AT THE BEACH WITH THE HELICOPTER, BUT THAT WOULD BE TOO SLOW FOR THIS JOB."



I'D BETTER GET A MOVE ON IF I'M GONNA GET THIS BACK BEFORE DAWN!



"DO YOU REMEMBER WHERE THE CASTLE IS WHERE THE TALISMAN CAME FROM?"

"NO PROBLEM, CHRIS! LEAVE IT TO ME!"



"MAKE SURE YOU PUT IT RIGHT SIDE UP, SONIC!"

"DON'T WORRY. IT'S SUNNY SIDE UP ALL THE WAY!"

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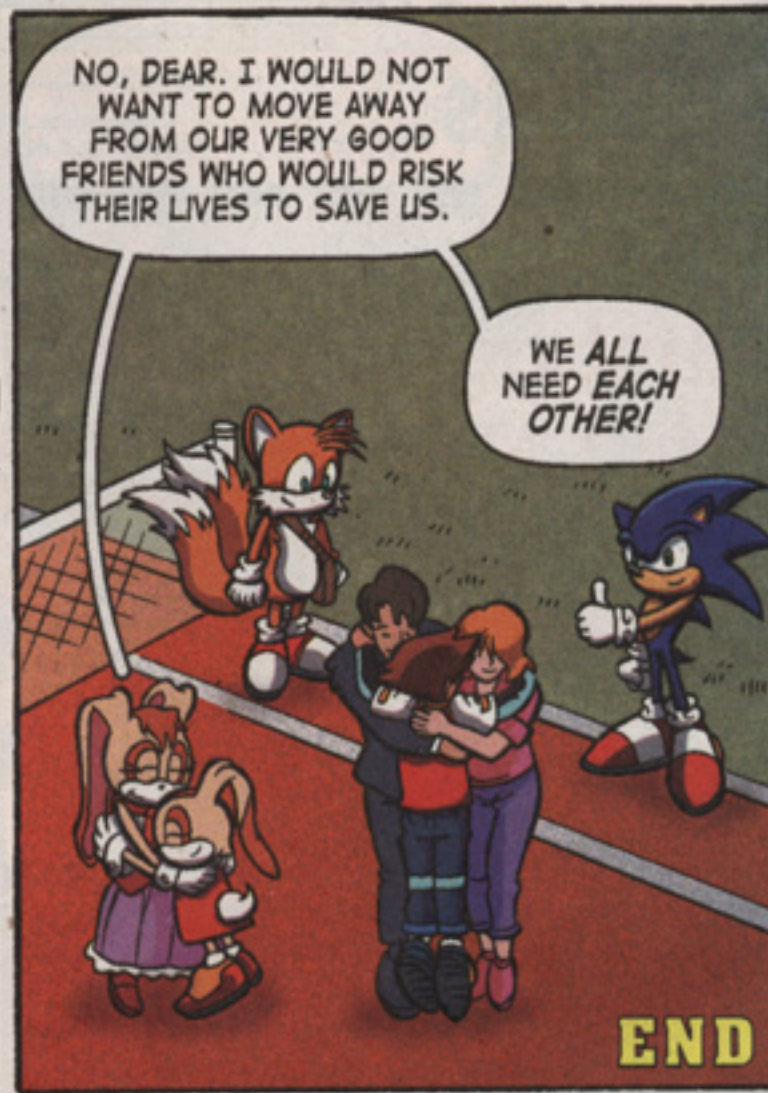
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